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GENEVA BANKER PREDICTS A GREAT CRASH IN GERMAN BANKS

Teutons Prepare For Advance On Saloniki—Lord Cecil At Cabinet Meeting

DRIVE UPON SALONIKI IS BELIEVED IMMINENT

Teutonic Allies Preparing For a General Offensive.

Germans Claim More Gains On the West Front.

(By Times Special Cable.)

PARIS, Feb. 23. — A cable dispatch from Athens says that a Bulgarian general named Nicoloff, who deserted from Prince Broca's regiment, declares that the Germans and Bulgarians are actively repairing all roads between Veleni and Gavlevo, under direction of German engineers. Bulgarian troops believe that a general offensive against Saloniki is imminent.

MORE GERMAN GAINS.

Berlin, Feb. 23, via London, 3:36 p.m. — Announcement of another important gain in the offensive on the western front was made by the War Office to-day. The statement says that in Upper Alsace, the Germans captured a position 700 yards wide and 400 yards deep.

The War Office also announced that the German forces had penetrated the opposing lines for a distance of three kilometres (two miles) in the northern sector of the Woerthe. It is said the Allies lost more than 3,000 prisoners and great quantities of material.

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EX-ALD. COO ON CLOTHING OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Geneva Accusations Which We Made Two Years Ago.

EDMUND H. A. E. COO is taking a keen interest in the investigation by the Police Commission into the charge of Chief Whiting that the 1914 overcoat supplied by First Broca, were not up to the specifications. It was ex-ALD. COO who hinted at some alleged scandal which would bear judicial inquiry during that year, when he represented Ward Four, and was taken into the police force. He made an inference which was decidedly against the chief at the time. To-day the ex-councillor explained that he had been reassured by what he now believes to be the police authorities.

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NO MUTINY OF HINDUS

(By Times Special Wire.)
Washington, Feb. 22.—The British Embassy issued a denial of a report, received here by wireless from Berlin, that there had been a mutiny of Indian troops in Egypt.

ATTACK HIS WILL

Dundas Centenarian Left Money to the Church.

In that meeting this two thousand dollars were given to Dundas & Troxler, at Osgoode Hall yesterday, were granted an order transferring from the Surrogate Court of Brant to the Supreme Court of Ontario, the action of Mary Jane and Catherine Smith, who are beneficiaries under a former will made by the late Thomas Conlan, of Three months before his death, on January 12, of last January, Conlan, who was nearly a hundred years old, manifested he had a hundred thousand dollars in cash in trust in Canada to the Roman Catholic Church of Paris. The two ladies attack this will on the ground that Conlan, in making his will, was not of sound mind, and claim that a will made a number of years ago, in which the money was

left to the church, was a valid will.

The will was filed in the Probate Court of Ontario, and a hearing date set for April 10.

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GREAT RECORD

OF Anglicans Who Have Volunteered for Service.

Bishop Clark presided last evening at the annual meeting of the local branches of the Anglican Young People's Association, held in the Church of the Ascension. Rev. Dr. Repine rendered a hearty welcome to the speakers, and Rev. C. W. Tidmarsh.

An interesting address was delivered by Rev. Canon George T. Tidmarsh, who spoke particularly to the response being made by the young people of the Church of England in France, Germany and Russia. Instance, a camp of 110 men had gone to one little church, practically every eligible man in the congregation.

That Canon Hague might know Hamilton was doing her bit, his Lordship caused to be read out the fact that the Church of England in Canada has 130 men; Christ Church, Cathedral 246, and St. James 500, in the latter case nearly all of the male congregation.

According to Bishop Bruce's relations with Sweden, the Foreign Minister said:

"Our only sentiment toward the Swedes is one of indifference. There is no political interest. Any political or diplomatic interest could only be artificial. Sweden's history does not impress her towards the coming of Scandinavia. She must obtain the same freedom, a free sojourn in quite another direction."

M. Sison then turned to Roumania, saying:

"Sweden will not bring her own interests, and when the hour strikes we will know how to realize her national duty at the cost of our own."

On the other hand, he said, the soldier will let her know not for the soldiers he would pay her 10 cents a day for all she would knit. His Lordship in order to encourage her.

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COL. CURRIE TALKS.

For the first time since his return from the front, Col. Currie, the member for North Simcoe, addressed Parliament yesterday. The gallant Colonel has evidently been the victim of some trickery, and he apparently felt that attempts have been made to minimize his services at the front. He said that as he "is certainly not grudge against Sir Sam Hughes, the Minister of Militia, he has kept his silence in his speech." Only two men stood between him and my decision or inaction in despatches. They were Mr. Alderson and the Minister of Militia. One was six miles behind the firing lines, and the other several thousand miles behind. I prefer to take the verdict of the men who stood with me in the trenches." He also complained that Sir Sam was pronouncing men in Canada over the heads of men at the front.

The gallant Col. Currie had a good word to say for the Liberal Opposition. He spoke feelingly of Sir William Laurier, saying:

"I sincerely congratulate the leader of the Opposition, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in holding in check the restless spirits of the men behind him. Not only did he stand by us in making up his mind to take a full out of the Government. There is not a question but that he has gained a place in the history of our country which will never be forgotten."

Col. Currie paid his warm-hearted tribute to the French-Canadians at the front. He said: "There are no braver or truer troops than our French-Canadian boys. The pity now of racial prejudices which so frequently marred the harmony of Canadian life makes me very tired!" He made a strong appeal to the House to rise above race and creed squabbles. These things, he declared, had no place under the shadow of the great tragedy.

The speaker warned the House that the war was not nearly over, and he drew attention to the way in which the peace and reconstruction of Great Britain were working together to carry on the war. Canada should not continue to go on in the old rut. It should follow Britain's example. He criticized some features of the budget and warned the Government on the matter of German control of copper and other syndicates in Canada. Col. Currie's address was cheered by both sides of the House.

AFTER THE WAR.

"Canada's tremendous issue after the war will be to find out the method by which we can best serve our country, and not to refer to the British Empire," said Sir William Peterson, principal of McGill University, Montreal, to a representative of the Christian Science Monitor. Sir William was in Boston and spoke at a luncheon of the Alumni of Harvard School and at a dinner of the Boston Food and Shoe Club. He said:

"It never can happen again. War may have been made impossible by the final results of war and affection, but we do not refer to the British Empire. Now, Canada will again be the overseas part of the British Empire, and to her without doubt will fall the task of leadership. The demand will be that she takes greater, not less, responsibility—that they have a part in the formulation of the policy upon which is based the relationship of all countries and the handing of war."

That may be possible. There will undoubtedly be a drawing closer together in matters pertaining to the Empire at large. But the autonomy of Britain will be no more secure than will be the autonomy of Canada. The machinery has not yet been assembled.

VOLUNTARISM IS UNFAIR

Premier Hughes, of Australia, in his address at Ottawa the other day, showed what preparedness had done for his country. Australia's troops were trained the minute, and when war broke out were ready to sail for the field of battle at a moment's notice. His Excellency will soon have 200,000 men, and it is to be hoped that Canada can have the same number there. Australia had to waste no time in drilling men and licking them into shape, nor had she to lose so much precious time in recruiting as Canada had to do.

In this month's *Contemporary Review* there is an article by Ellis J. Griffith on "Military Compulsion" that is worth consideration. Mr. Griffith criticizes Australia's statement that "Our system of voluntary recruiting is unique" as it has been hitherto practised, in a haphazard, capricious, and, to some extent, ambiguous way between different classes and even between individuals.

Mr. Griffith endorses this statement, and declares that "The practice of voluntary service certainly deserves this description, and the words 'to some extent' may well be omitted from the Prime Minister's statement. The qualification is quite unnecessary. What has happened is this: Boys of sixteen, seventeen and eighteen have enlisted, and have been sent to the firing line.

Men over forty have been accepted. Skilled munition workers have been recruited in great numbers. Men unemployed in all parts of the country in war-time have remained at home. The recruiting campaign has been conducted without any regard to the industrial requirements of the nation. By these results the system stands self-condemned. Our supreme war was not merely, perhaps not mainly, all the power and strength of the country for the prosecution of the war. Maximum efficiency only means that those who can help their country should do so in the way they can render the best service. Voluntarism has failed because it has impaired the national output of skill and energy.

There was only one sure way at disposal—a gradual enlistment of men of military age who were not serving their country in some other essential work. This course we did not follow. We were compelled to take men when we did not want them, because when we did want them we might not get them."

The picture here presented by Mr. Griffith of the situation in Great Britain before the conclusion of peace is not very creditable to our country. It is shown as a picture of conditions in Canada at the present time. Men and boys are enlisting who should not enlist, and the men who should enlist refuse to do so. We can all see the streets crowded with strong, virile, young men, who have apparently no thought of enlisting, while we see some in khaki who should not be in that dress.

Mr. Griffith sums up the situation by saying that:

In this grave emergency, when our country is in peril, we believe that should fall on all—on all equally—according to their willingness, but according to their capacity to render service. I am convinced that our military service is necessary and practicable. I am quite certain it is just. I would not say that it is not militarily necessary, but it is inherently just that makes it necessary. I do not appreciate the views of those who think that the demands of the soldier must fall on some and not on others of equal military capacity. I do not recognise the fairness of a system under which one man, who is fit for military service, stands at the front, and another family man, three, four, or more sons at home. To remove this gross anomaly, and to demonstrate that our system of citizenship is the fundamental basis and ultimate justification of the Military Service Bill.

The Hamilton Recruiting League decided last evening to ask the Dominion Government to put in force certain provisions of the Militia Act so that the young men of the first line of defense might be called up. The League feels that it will set an example. But we hope that this move on the part of the League will influence the Government to take a more active part than it has done in getting the men for the front.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Join either the overseas forces or the Home Guard.

According to Mr. Root, the Republicans cannot be bidding for the Government vote.

ONE GOOD RESULT.

(Toronto News) Whatever the result may bring to the world as a whole, whatever burden the war may impose on us, the result is inevitable. We shall do less respectfully to the memory of the enlightened statesmen of Maastricht if we do not accept the fact that the result of Cabinet Ministers is deficient in quality rather than in quantity.

ABANDONMENT OF PRINCIPLE.

(Philadelphia Ledger) To deny to the inhabitants of the Allies a right never before enjoyed by the citizens of any nation is to offend Americans born abroad, to offend American soldiers abroad, to offend American sailors abroad, to offend American airmen abroad, to offend American women abroad, to offend American children abroad, to offend Americans in general.

HARDLY CONSISTENT.

(Buffalo Express) In view of the fact that the British and French, starting the country by the Prussian minister of commerce telling the Prussian government will issue a decree forbidding the manufacture of articles containing oil, it is curious.

POOR LOT.

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PROFOUNDLY SAD.

(Montreal Star) We are deeply grieved to learn that Mr. Landers' motion has been defeated. We shall be less respectfully to the memory of the enlightened statesmen of Maastricht if we do not accept the fact that the result of Cabinet Ministers is deficient in quality rather than in quantity.

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WAR AND DEMOCRACY.

(Montreal Star) History illustrates the fact that war and democracy are inherently antagonistic. The former tends to increase and the latter tends to decrease.

Historical records show that war has increased and war decreasing does not result in democracy.

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SLIGHTLY SARCASTIC.

(Globe and Mail) The organization of Mr. Felt's active life is a remarkable record. He has given himself to a prominent Conservative organization, and has been a member of the public corporation in party journals of extensive circulation.

He has come to scoff, remained to weep, and gone to scoff again.

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Music AND Drama

Comedians, or more often their press agents, dearly love to give vent to the trials of analysis of laughter. Even the phonograph can furnish material for Prof. J. H. Clark, one of the best purveyors of rural types, however, strikes out on somewhat original lines. Arctic is the title of the Bill.

"Just what causes hearty laughter is a psychological puzzle that actors nor playwrights can fathom," he says.

"The comedy of wit, humor and satire are too fine to drift down to caricature. We giggle at wit, chuckle and judge each other at the fundamental level, but get to the fundamental, however, we must exaggerate one above the other to get the whole-hearted applause that 'Arctic' will bring."

"We are not so good with the simple and misunderstood heroine, but let the hero waltz a duck waddle and boast a red nose, and the situations are upstaged."

Leslie Carter role as tragically and as tensely acted as Leslie herself, would send a house into convulsions.

In "Arctic" in May, Irvin role

would be equally funny.

"Swatting a stage policeman with a tomato is always good for a laugh."

"The plot is simple enough to be played 'straight' and with the dignity of a traffic cop. The act of hitting a sheriff with a tomato is the sketch I present."

The plot and lines try to avoid a huffy characterization of this part, but the mere evocation of the marks of the hand do the audience.

What better demonstration

that civilization is more savagery covered in this veneer of conventionality?"

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The Winsors company is drawing capacity business this week at the Savoy Theatre. The show is "A Little Bit of Everything," a musical entertainment and has many pleasing features. Geo. B. Scanlon and Anita Moore are among the stars.

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A SOCIALIST BUT WILLING TO DON KHAKI

James Flatman Acquitted of
Charge of Using Seditious Language.

A TORONTO THIEF

George Clark Gets Jail
Term for Stealing an
Overcoat.

Although the roister at Police Court this morning was rather heavy, it did not last. Marion Jeffs longed to do justice to it, as the cases were not of a very serious nature, and only one lengthy sentence was handed out, that being to George Clark, of Toronto, who was found guilty of stealing an overcoat from Frank Guggenhein. Guggenhein reported the loss of the coat to the police on Monday, and Detectives Sayers and Bleeker, after notifying the second-hand store, started out in search of the thief, and last evening succeeded in landing him. This morning Clark had very little to say, other than that he was drunk and could remember two-thirds of that already and given thirty days in jail," said the bailiff. "Yes," answered Clark. "Well this time you will get stuck." The magistrate said he would like to see the witness, but the witness did not appear.

James Flatman, an Englishman, emigrated to Canada with the Westinghouse Company, who subsequently accepted on his services and sent him to a recruiting office. According to the complainant Flatman ran down the street and said he had been absent about three hours.

He was remanded for a few days until the police find out more about him.

John Jameson and Margaret O'Keefe were remanded for a few days, also with trespassing on the property of Mrs. Spens English. Both defendants proved to the magistrate they were not in the city at the time of the theft of the coat.

Arnold Sherwin and James Jameson were charged with being drunk. The latter was remanded for a few days until the police find out more about him.

Wally Welsh charged Joe Midwinter with assault, but, as he was drunk, he was discharged.

Ava Shifman and George Davis were remanded to the police court and fined \$10 to keep them from doing it again.

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BORDEN CABINET MEDDLED IN SASKATCHEWAN HOUSE

(Continued from page 19.)

It brings down the very definite charges and refusing to aid the committee to sift them, should be revealed. Mr. Bradshaw has drawn the political dagger, and a political murderer has been exposed. In this case, when the Liberal party in this country must fight in self-defense. To-day we are witnesses to the first time in history that the Legislature, the strong arm of Federal interference in the work of this House. (Applause.)

It is to be noted by the strong arm. This is a political plot we are up against. It was hatched Ottawa, conceived in Manitoba, and carried out in Saskatchewan.

The facts I possess do not admit of any doubt that the Borden cabinet is responsible for the conduct of its members in this matter.

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The Burden of the War

SIR THOMAS WHITE, Finance Minister, in introducing the new War Tax to Parliament on Tuesday, Feb.

15th, and Sir Thomas' confidence in

the Canadian people is well placed. Every

necessary burden will be cheerfully car-

ried to hasten the successful conclusion of

the war, but no unnecessary burden, such

as that which is foisted on the people:

Sir Thomas' speech is as follows:

"But I much mistake the spirit and tem-

per of the Canadian people if they do not

cheerfully accept, as hitherto, in the spirit of

loyalist patriotism and willing self-sacrifice

of the added burdens which the exigencies of the

war compel us to cast upon them."

as the Citizens' Committee of One Hundred is attempting to foist on the people of Ontario.

Important Revenues at Stake

It is probably not generally known how large the revenues the Dominion and Provincial Governments derive from the manufacture, importation and sale of Wines, Beers and other alcoholic beverages in Ontario yearly, but here are the figures:

Province of Ontario, Financial Year End-ing October 31st, 1914.	\$8,575,500.52
Brewers and Distillers' license fees, Hotel and Shop license fees, Tobacco and Sample and Commission license, 5% Bar Sales 302,690.48	302,690.48
Dominion and Island Revenue Report, 1915. Spirits (Ontario alone) 8,369,355.40	8,369,355.40
Malt Liquor and Malt (Ontario alone) 1,017,944.64	1,017,944.64

In addition to the above there is a heavy

loss to the Government of Ontario, as it does a considerable proportion of the beverages imported. The Dominion of Canada collected duties as follows for the year ending March 31st, 1915:

Beer 302,691.96
Spirits 8,368,617.60
Wine 234,193.45

A total of \$8,873,500.01

The new War Tax is estimated to yield \$25,000,000 per year, and is to be in force until August, 1917, at least.

There is no possible doubt that Canada's income increased rather than reduced revenues, yet the Citizens' Committee of One Hundred urges a heavy reduction of the revenues.

What for? Simply as part of their campaign to

get a catch verdict when thousands of those who voted to retain the License System and Government Revenues

in 1914 are fighting the Hun.

The propaganda of Citizens' Committee of One Hundred is economically unsound, morally a fallacy and if carried would be found unworkable.

This is No Time for a Change

MUTUAL FIRE UNDERWRITERS

Ontario Association in Convention at Toronto.

Farmers' Companies Are Getting Together.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Uniform application forms and policies are to be adopted by all the farmers' mutual companies and stock companies for the protection of the fire marshal for the province in order to give organized protection to the boys and their homes.

The influence of the mother was also seen in the action of her child, and it was found that when the boy was 10 years old he would go to the barn to play cards for a penny or two, and it was not until he was 12 that he began to go to the fire hall to do the most important work, and that he did not do it until he was 14. The boy's mother, Mrs. George Henley, came to the fire hall to help him, and she was the first to tell him that

THE TIMES SPORTING PAGE

Tigers Held Annual Meeting Last Night-- Small Crowd Present

Bob Ibsister Elected President For This Year-- Receipts For Past Season Were \$5,833.24-- Expenses Were Also Large.

With President Major Moodie in the chair and about twenty-five members present, the sixth annual meeting of the football section of the H. A. A. A. was held in the club rooms last evening and aside from the passing of different accounts and election of officers very little business was transacted, as the interest in this meeting has died out, for all Tiger members and supporters are thinking of a greater game at the present time and waiting anxiously for March 1st, when the Tiger Battalion will start recruiting. After the minutes of last year had been passed on by the treasurer's report was given by Secretary Robert Kerr in the absence of William Monk and showed that the receipts for last season amounted to \$5,833, but that \$1,000 had been written off, so that \$4,833 remained. The expenses, which included football trips, were very heavy, and it might be mentioned that the expenses of the Mayor's Battalion, who donated it towards purchasing a motor truck for the 4th Battalion's Battery, which idea was first suggested by the report had been adopted, the election of officers took place and resulted as follows:

Secretary--R. T. Steele.

Hon. Vice-Presidents--Mr. W. H. Wardrop, K. C. W. G. Moore, Capt. G. J. Deneen, Mr. W. E. Eaton.

President--Mr. F. Washington, K. C. and Mr. J. Dixon.

Vice-President--Robert Ibsister.

Vice-Presidents--Frank Harvey.

Treasurer--J. Sibley.

Treasurer--R. B. Cheyne.

Manager of senior team--W. G. Mallatt.

Manager of intermediate team--Wal-

ter Howell.

Executive Committee--Hugh Murray,

B. L. Simpson, Frank Robbins and the rest of the Franklin Club.

Auditors--M. Cameron and Geo. Smith.

The secretary was introduced to send a letter of condolence to the family of "Old" Murphy, and sincere sympathy was extended to Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Washington in the death of their son, Louis, who was serving with the British on the battlefield.

Before giving up the chair to the new President, Major Moodie thanked the members for their support and the work done faithful work during the past season and also the press for the support they gave the Tiger Club during the past season. The secretary's report was then read and was as follows:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:

In the shadow of the shadow of war, the greatest war that old world has ever seen. We in Canada are in the war, we are an integral part of the Empire, where the Empire is at war, we are at war.

From a Tiger standpoint we have been endeavoring to put out over 100 curlers each to our clubs for overseas, and we are now organizing a Tiger Battalion, which will be a unit of the Canadian forces in which we ask for the hearty cooperation of not every Tiger supporter, but every man in our club.

The secretary's report for the night extended to Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Washington, in the loss of their gallant son, Lieutenant Washington, who was killed while performing his duty at the front, one of the noblest boys who ever stood here and was as follows:

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From a Tiger standpoint we have had 225 senior members belonging to the football section of the H. A. A. A. The football section turned out with an average attendance of seven, where every master pertaining to the welfare of the Tiger Football team was there, including a coach, appointing club doctor, arrangements re advertising and other matters.

The scores were as follows:

Tigers... 22 Argos... 9

Tigers... 24 Montreal... 6

Tigers... 16 Ottawa... 6

Tigers... 26 Montreal... 5

Tigers... 7 Ottawa... 5

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They then defeated the T.R. & A.A. for the Dominion championship by a score of 13 to 7.

The senior season was wound up by the football section with a friendly fit game for Glad. Murphy, who was so unfortunately seriously injured in the first game of the season. At this point, \$4,600.00 was collected for aiding in easing the suffering of one of the best sports whom Canada has ever had.

The intermediate team, under the able management of Walter Howell, more than covered themselves with glory when they beat the D. R. & A. Capital team of Toronto, by a score of 21 to 1.

Great credit is due Billy Monk, the treasurer, for his work during the past season, and the Association join in wishing him every success in his field of labor.

To Frank Harvey, manager of the senior team and to Harry Glasscock, senior captain, and to



HAMILTON--Goal: Eddie Roe, defence; Sinclair; Kennedy; rover, McKay; centre, Valens; left wing, Hilliard; right wing, Phillips.

Defence: Childs; defence, Brown; Masters; rover, Schnarr; centre, Shirke; left wing, Erby; right wing, Krug.

Referee--Lou Marth.

Oshawa, Feb. 22.--The Belleville O. H. A. intermediate champions of Ontario No. 2, met here to-night in the first home-and-home games in the semi-finals. Belleville winning in a hard-fought game, 4 to 2, in the first period and second periods were very strenuous, but both teams played clean and fast hockey. The second period was the most exciting, 1 to 1, at the end of the second 1 to 3, in favor of Belleville. The last period was comparatively slow, Oshawa securing two goals to Belleville's one.

The visitors had a well-balanced team and several excellent stick-handlers, but did not appear to be the better team, but do not appear to be of championship calibre.

Both closing, I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the President, Vice-President and all members of the executive for their valuable assistance during 1915.

THE HOCKEY RECORD

TUESDAY'S RESULT.

O. H. A.-Intermediate.

Belleville... 4 Oshawa... 2

Third Period.

London Ontario... 7 Berlin U. J. 6

Valley... 4 Campbellford... 3

Second Period.

WINNIPEG PATRIOTIC LEAGUE.

All Stars... 10 St. Paul... 1

Wednesday.

GAMES WEDNESDAY.

OMAHA--Third Period--Gatineau, Berlin (Group), Argentia at Riverdale.

Kingsland, League Senior--Second Period--Midway at Wingham.

Round--Belliveau at Wainfleet.

Junior--Third Period.

WINNIPEG PATRIOTIC LEAGUE.

All Stars... 10 St. Paul... 1

Friday.

SEVERAL CLUBS

ANXIOUS TO GET GENE PACKARD

Left-Handed Twirler Is Much In Demand.

(By Times Special Wire)

Chico, Feb. 22.--Following the meeting next Saturday, which will wind up the affairs of the Federal League, players still controlled by the league will be put for sale.

Bidding for Gene Packard, the left-handed pitcher, promises to be keen, as several teams are said to be interested in getting him.

Samuel Sinsuir, who controls the contracts of many of the Federal stars, will be at the meeting, as will several others.

No new developments in the transfer of the Cleveland Americans to J. C. Dunn and his associates were made known.

However, he had talked with Robert McRoy, formerly the American League secretary and owner of the Toledo Mud Hens, and it is said McRoy is to be allowed to purchase a small block of the Cleveland stock, and will be made secretary of the club.

The game ends Saturday at The Flamingo.

CURLING

Three rinks from the Grimsby Curling Club, Ontario, last night, and played afternoon and evening at the Hospital on the day's play.

Hamilton, Feb. 22.--Hamilton Victoria, and London, Ontario, skinned by Peter Smith from the Carver Challenge Cup, will be out to defend their title.

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The War Area In Near East



The main body of Grand Duke Nicholas' army is near Erzurum (1), which has recently captured from the Turks; in northern Persia is a small Russian force with its base at Tabriz (2); while a third army is fighting Persians and Turks near Kermanchah (3). A British force is besieging Kut-el-Amara (4), while a relief force is held up a few miles below by floods.

OTTOMAN RETREAT FROM ERZERUM AN UTTER ROUT

Turks Are Fighting Rearguard Actions With Their Supplies Dwindling,

While the Russians Are Driving Steadily Onward to Trebizon.

London, Feb. 22.—The word "deroute" describes the rout and disorganization of the Turkish army which retreated from Erzurum when that stronghold fell before the artillery of the Russians and the assault of their infantry. The demoralization of the Turks could hardly be greater.

The retreating armies are fighting rearguard actions with dwindling resources in the deep snow, while the Russians with a well-organized commandos replenished from the railroad terminus at Sarikamish are pushing with superior numbers and the strategic situation well in hand. If the Turks make Trebizond their objective they are likely to be cut off by the enemy's right wing advancing along the coast; and if the Turks make for Erzurum they will find themselves in a position to escape the Russians. In the Lake Van country, to the southeast, the Russians are swarming; in fact, they had penetrated that region before Erzurum fell. Mustafa Kemal, who has been a hero in Anatolia, is still near the lake, must have been evacuated by the Turks several days ago. As the Russians are now in control of the Caucasus and their organization is in every respect superior to that of the Turks, it

should not require very skilful generalship to complete the ruin of the Ottomans and clear Armenia of them. In such a country, however, the terrain is not favorable to quick movement, and the Russians would be handicapping them.

The strategy of the Grand Duke Nicholas promises no difficult task.

It will be noted that he will

endeavor to take Trebizond with as little delay as possible. Its possession is necessary to the security of Erzurum.

Trebizond is the first Turkish com-

mercial port on the Black Sea, 500 miles east of Constantinople.

It is here that when Xerxes

arrived there on his retreat

through the Armenian front

Perseus to the Black Sea, B. C.

THE END OF THE LINE.

A Turkish retirement to positions west of Erzurum is announced by the Commandant-in-Chief War Office in to-day's "Daily Telegraph."

The retirement took place, says the report, after the Turks had destroyed posts which they had occupied fifteen days ago, and had also seized a quantity old cannon which could not be transported. The statement adds:

"Fantastic Russian reports stating

that 100,000 Turks had been taken

prisoner at Erzurum are untrue.

No combats took place in

the vicinity of Erzurum besides those

which had been fought, and the town

of Erzurum had no military value, nor

had the town itself."

In Italian hands is over 30,000. It will

be no surprise when the official his-

torian of the war comes with his

frag collated documents. If the total

Austrian wastage due to Italian effort

does not prove to exceed a quarter

of a million, it will be a good record.

"All these months," say rats since

July, Austria has been able to send

her best units to this southwestern

front here. They have been

born broken and harried after fashion,

and we must bear in mind in

reading such figures what they mean

for the morale of the troops.

"How will that front look when the

opening year permits more general offensives?"

TEN MINUTE COLD CURE

RELIEVES ALMOST INSTANTLY

Nothing cures so quickly as the

healing pine essence in Cataractone

and the healing ointments with a

healing oil, nothing cures so quickly as the

TORONTO FIRE NOT HUN WORK

Explosions Due to Oxygen
Meeting Dense Smoke.

Ziegler, Previously Con-
fused, Clears Himself.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—As a result of yesterday's evidence at the resumed inquiry into the probable cause of the fire at the American Club the most recent information had justified the conclusion that was first discounted, and it is possible that the final verdict will be that the explosion which occurred during the night had their origin in a rush of hot smoke metimly impregnated with use dust particles. The evidence of several members of the Toronto Fire Department, who remained on duty during the entire time of the fire, further was the examination of the wrecked building by superintendents of Provincial Police and Fire Commissions. Joseph Plunkett, who conducted the enquiry, Vice Marshal E. Heaton, and Lieut.-Col. R. H. Turner, representing the officials, and A. C. G. Goss, who examined the ruins and saw how the fire had spread between the air spaces which separate the ceilings and floors. Fire Chief Simeon, who removed the debris from the building which left such air spaces where fire could "smoulder for hours unseen and eventually make the whole structure a smouldering mass." Amiel Kornig Ziegler, the young Canadian witness who the previous evening perished over-exertion to interfere with the removal of the debris of doors and as a result was taken to his lodgings by detectives, who overhauled his belongings, re-appeared before the court yesterday morning. The officers found nothing satisfactory and Ziegler left with a clear record.

Julian Weigman, architect, recalled, that the club windows had plate glass panes throughout and though these had been pretty badly shattered, he said they were still safe, so that not a particle of the glass would have been blown.

The jobs above the ceiling of the first floor had been burned to an extent of about one cent, which showed that the fire was fiercest in the first floor. He did not know of the existence of air pockets at the time the fire started, but was confident, but he advised the direction of the club to put in fire preventives and order occasions fire drills.

Hugh Hussey, Montreal West, who was living at the club was about to jump from his bedroom window when a voice from the street shouted that the fire was a escape rope, which he threw himself and climbed half way down when he had another man coming down another rope, coming and groaning, and in great distress. When he reached the street safely, in his bare feet Mr. Hussey said he ran home. He had not gone far before he heard a noise in rapid succession. One explosion described as that which might be caused by blasting of rock.

It was after the explosion that the Coroner, with others, visited the scene of the fire and made a thorough investigation. The coroner, whose close scrutiny apparently did not reveal that a strong explosion had occurred, but there was evidence that the two charges had exploded firmly between the ceiling and floors of different flats. On the ground floor his big clock was still keeping accurate time.

SERBIAN RELIEF.

Annual Meeting of Canadian Committee in Toronto.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The Canadian Serbian Relief Committee had their annual meeting in the round room of the Union Club this afternoon, President Falconer presiding. Miss Weaver, who was convener of the Serbian Relief Committee of the nation, and Mrs. McLean, president of which the present society grew, gave a detailed report of the work accomplished to date. Several cases of naturalization were brought up for the relief of the sufferers. The amount of money received is \$24,123.27, of which \$1,264.67 has been sent to the British Red Cross Fund. Funds received amounted to \$14,647 and there is a balance of \$1,094.10.

The by-laws of the society were adopted and Mr. Falconer and Col. Noel Marshall spoke. The latter advised including some work for the sufferers in蒙特利尔。 It was decided to reconvene at the end of the month.

The officers elected are: Hon. President: Falconer; President: Dr. Sharp, Brampton; 1st Vice-President: Mr. McLean, Mississauga; with the following Vice-Presidents: Mrs. Brown, Regina; Mrs. McLean, Halifax; Mrs. Mackay, Montreal; Mrs. McWilliams, Sudbury; Mrs. Ottawa; Lady Hubert, Tunbridge, Vancouver; Mrs. Pinkham, Calgary; Mrs. Letts, London; Mrs. John Thompson, Newmarket; Mrs. J. C. Ross, Secretary; Mrs. Whitfield, B. Irving, Recording Secretary; Mr. L. Carisbeau, Treasurer; Mr. A. H. Campbell.

THE S. A.'S GIFT.

Five Ambulance Cars Pre-
sented to Russia.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The public donation and presentation to the Russian Ambulance Corps of the ambulance cars subscribed by the Salvation Army in Canada, by a small group of Russian journalists who had been in Canada, the English, Count Chodzkozy, the Russian Consul, the Russian Consul, but the Russian Consul, in accepting the gift, spoke up between the Canadian and the British Ambulance Corps in the British Army, galled at the gift of the cars and members of the army in the British Army, managed to land his machine safely in the atmosphere without injury to his observers.



TALKS BACK TO MAYOR WALTERS

Adl. Plunkett Tells Him Not to "Throw Any Stones."

Works Board Determined to
Get More Street Cars.

After an hour or more in a perusal of the special report of the special street railway committee, the Board of Works decided last evening to carry an appeal to the Dominion Railway Council to get permission of the afternoon to force the company to turn more rolling stock, although the officials of the Dominion Power & Transmission Company told Chairman Plunkett and those with him that war conditions made it almost impossible to get cars. The Board of Works said that they are all going to Great Britain, France or Russia, while the prices have gone up tremendously.

"We can't do this," Adl. Plunkett said. "We felt that there was nothing to be gained by riding the company hard." He conferred with them to see if business men, not members of the council, would dismiss the committee if it did not achieve better results. People who have been in the city a number of times that Mayor Walters is a member of that committee, and he hasn't exerted himself very much yet.

Mr. W. M. Neill, of the Board, said that it was decided to go to the Dominion authorities for action. This alderman also wants a five-minute service to the east end of the city, the seven-minute service.

It was reported to the committee that the company officials thought a great deal of the opposition to the new schedule of cars, and the other side of importance during the meeting was the decision to appoint Chairman Roy and Ald. Newlands and Mealey as a sub-committee to go to the city engineer, who planned for the district east of Ottawa street. He figures in a thirty-five cent a pole at a cost of \$4,000. Action may likely be taken at the next meeting.

A signal bather has lately been appointed a Captain in the Royal Military College, Kingston, in the person of Brigadier-General E. M. Morris, who has been de-commissioned to the rank of Major.

General Morris, who has been at the front for more than a year, is a graduate of the late Edinburgh Morris, and was born in Guelph, Ont.

After graduating from Trinity College School, Port Hope, and the Royal Military College, he was a cadet in 1890. He joined the Devonshire Regiment, then stationed at Alexandria, and later at Cairo. In a few years he was promoted to the rank of captain in which country he spent some six years, being stationed principally at Cairo. Finally he was promoted to the rank of major and became a member of the regiment which the city engineer has planned for the district east of Ottawa street. He figures in a thirty-five cent a pole at a cost of \$4,000. Action may likely be taken at the next meeting.

FIELD COMFORTS

Gratifying Letter From Mrs. Os-
borne to Local Committee.

In a letter from London, England, Mrs. (Mrs.) Osborne, of this city, writes of her visit to the Canadian war contingent warehouse, the headquarters of Hamilton's Field Comforts Committee: "I went to see Mr. Collier, the steward, yesterday. He seems to have a most splendid organization of the Canadian regiments serving in the trenches. I saw quantities of parcels in the warehouse, all small and suitable for the men to take with them. The men are well fed and healthy."

At the outbreak of the South African War General Morris went with his regiment to Durban and was stationed there for a time. He was then attached to the 1st Battalion, Royal Fusiliers, which was serving in the campaign at Colenso and Spion Kop and was mentioned in despatches.

At the outbreak of the First World War he was appointed to the command of the South African Constabulary at Bloemfontein and later to the command of the Orange River Constabulary. When the Dutch Government came into power many Imperial officers were dismissed from their duties. General Morris rejoined his regiment which had returned to England.

He served in the early part of the present war with the 1st Battalion, the staff of the Sherwood Foresters, North Midland Division of Territorials. He was then attached to Col. Collier, the commanding officer of the command of the King's Own Royal Lancers.

With the 1st Battalion he was fighting in France and Belgium and was several times mentioned in despatches. With the latter regiment he was mentioned in despatches and it was there that he was appointed to be Brigadier-General and received the above-mentioned decoration.

BUSY SEAMEN.

British Navy Men Turn Out
Munitions On Board Ship.

London, Feb. 22.—The fact that the men of the British warships are turning out a large amount of war munitions on board ship is well known, but what is not revealed is the following from the Ministry of Munitions: Minister, David Lloyd George, made public to-night that he was appointed to be Brigadier-General and received the above-mentioned decoration.

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WOODSMEN.

Canada Will Organize a Bat-
talion of Foresters.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—General Sir Sam Hughes is taking steps to organize a battalion of foresters in Canada. The War Office has already done a good deal for the Minister, who has already issued his plans for raising and officering the battalion. Numbers of all kinds are required in Great Britain, so that the plan of the foresters are to be almost prohibitory figure, while the importation of new supplies from Canada will be difficult through the rise in ocean freight rates.

The timber resources of Great Britain are, however, far from exhausted and the timber resources can be drawn upon with the aid of scientific methods such as Canada can produce. Prominent lumbermen have expressed their desire to help in the organization of the foresters.

Companies will be recruited from among the experienced woodmen of Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick, and will be organized at once at the rate of 100 men each.

Gen. Col. Alexander Macmillan, of Ottawa, will command the battalion and the majors will probably be Gen. Col. W. P. of North Rustico, and R. H. Hepburn, of Prince Edward.

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A BRITISH AIR HERO

London, Feb. 22.—A specimen of the indomitable pluck of the British airmen shown in a report from Gen. Haig to-night. In the course of to-day one of the British aeroplanes was hit by an anti-aircraft gun, and while flying low to the ground he managed to land his machine safely in the atmosphere without injury to his observers.

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